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DELAWARE COUNTY TAX PREPARER INDICTED

PHILADELPHIA - Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of an indictment¹ charging Matthew J. Reusing, Jr., the owner and operator of a Delaware County tax-return preparation business called "Reusing's Rapid Refunds," with 32 counts of assisting in false tax returns, and two counts of failing to file his own personal tax returns.

The indictment alleges that Reusing regularly and willfully falsified deductions on his clients' tax returns. Reusing is further accused of using the Refund Anticipation Loan program and fake tax returns to cause some of his clients to pay him inflated fees without their knowledge. According to the indictment, the IRS found that Reusing's clients owe a combined total of more than \$100,000 in additional taxes as a result of the alleged criminal conduct. In addition, the indictment alleges that Reusing attempted to convince some of his clients not to cooperate fully with the IRS in its resulting investigation. Finally, Reusing is accused of failing to file his own personal federal income tax returns for tax years 2004 and 2005.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Matthew J. Reusing, Jr.	Clifton Heights, PA	55

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 98 years in prison, and a \$3.25 million fine.

This case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jennifer Arbittier Williams.

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